

**MINUTES OF KIMBERLEY AND CARLETON FOREHOE ANNUAL PARISH
MEETING HELD ON FRIDAY 20TH MAY 2022 AT 7PM
AT CARLETON FOREHOE CHURCH**

The Parish Council Chairman, Colin House, presided and the following Councillors were present:-

Joy Smiley, Graham Mann, Jane Fraser and Val Evans. The Parish Clerk, County Councillor Margaret Dewsbury, District Councillor Richard Elliott and 3 members of the public were also present.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None.

2. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD 28TH APRIL 2021

The minutes were read, agreed and signed by the Chairman, proposed by Jane Fraser, seconded by Joy Smiley, all in favour.

3. PRESENTATION BY STEVE BECKETT: KIMBERLEY CONSERVATION AREA

Steve Beckett, South Norfolk Council, gave a presentation on the review of the Kimberley conservation area. Steve noted that the Kimberley Conservation Area was last reviewed and designated in 1994. It is suggested that the areas are reviewed, and that the local community is engaged. A walkabout had taken place in March 2022 to look at how Kimberley had changed. A publicity exercise would take place in July, potentially with an exhibition in Kimberley Church showing maps and general points of interest. This would also be reproduced on the website. If there were any additional people who should be consulted then they could be put into the process.

It was suggested that the footpaths should be included, and these could be included as part of the appraisal. This included those that were considered 'lost'. A member of the public with good historic knowledge of Kimberley offered to assist with the appraisal. Steve would forward the information on the exhibition to Joy Smiley for the Group News, and to set the dates for displaying this in the church.

4. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The Chairman's Report was presented by the Chairman (copy annexed to these Minutes ref: **Appendix A**).

5. FINANCIAL REPORT

The Financial Report was presented by the Clerk (copy annexed to these minutes ref: **Appendix B**).

6. REPORT FROM DISTRICT COUNCILLOR

The report was given by Richard Elliott, District Councillor (copy annexed to these minutes ref: **Appendix C**). South Norfolk Council were looking at local delivery hubs for service delivery instead of the traditional single council building.

7. REPORT FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR

The report was given by Margaret Dewsbury, County Councillor (copy annexed to these minutes ref: **Appendix D**).

8. REPORT FROM KIMBERLEY FETE COMMITTEE

The report was given by Joy Smiley, (copy annexed to these minutes ref: **Appendix E**).

9. REPORT FROM CARLETON FOREHOE FENLAND CHARITY

The report was given by Val Evans, Trustee (copy annexed to these minutes ref: **Appendix F**).

10. REPORT FROM KIMBERLEY CHURCH

The report was given by Joy Smiley (copy annexed to these minutes ref: **Appendix G**).

11. REPORT FROM CARLETON FOREHOE CHURCH

The report was given by Jane Fraser (copy annexed to these minutes ref: **Appendix H**).

12. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

A member of the public asked when the mitigation proposals would be decided? There were no dates set yet, and the consultation by Norfolk County Council would be made via an exhibition and online information. Information would be published on the website as it was received. A lot of work had been undertaken by particular councillors, especially as the traffic modelling and mitigation had only considered the parishes north of the A47 and not in the south. A number of mitigation measures were being negotiated. Traffic could not be controlled, and the Council did not want the road to be reclassified as an A road. The consultation may be later than previously hoped due to delays with the Western Link going to Cabinet.

A member of the public noted that there were issues that had not been covered in the mitigation, reporting that he had seen surveys relating to construction, and noted that the short section for 30mph. He felt that the word 'mitigation' was not appropriate. The member of the public was advised that he had an old report. The member of the public asked who would update sat nav systems, it was confirmed that this would be through the Department for Transport.

The member of the public gave lengthy views regarding the mitigation, the work of the Task Force and the lack of communication regarding this matter.

It was suggested that money should be spent on benches on the Green in Kimberley.

The member of the public gave his views on the running of the Parish Council and left the meeting.

A member of the public expressed concerns about the width of the road, some of which was single track and required an escort, and the additional vehicles would be of concern. It was confirmed that assessments would be made, and that these points needed to be brought up to Highways England during the consultation.

Concerns were raised regarding the non-observation of the road closure, and the expectation that local residents would police the road. It was hoped that a speed limit reduction would dissuade drivers from using those roads.

It was noted that it was better to try to get some mitigation for the road, than allow a situation to happen and then complain about it at a later date. The mitigation was to help all villages, and would not be perfect, but would be better than nothing.

There being no other business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.10pm.

Signed:

Dated: